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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : M. COLOMBO  
Application No. : 09/823,162  
Filing Date : March 30, 2001  
Examiner : E. E. Cadugan  
Art Unit : 3722  
For : OPERATING HEAD FOR AUTOMATIC MACHINE TOOLS,  
WITH PROJECTING INTERCHANGEABLE CHUCK UNIT

**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**ATTENTION: Examiner Erica Cadugan  
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**AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME W/ RCE**

Sir:

Applicants hereby request, under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), a three(3) month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding final Official Action dated May 29, 2003; that is, up to and including November 29, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 14-1431 in the amount of \$475.00 for the official fee required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3), reduced by half for applicant's small entity status.

The Commissioner is further authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 14-1431 for any additional fees which may now be due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17.

In response to the Official Action dated May 29, 2003, please amend the above-identified application, as follows: